RULES AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS CONCERT PARTICIPANTS - 2025 SEASON

The purpose of the Young Musician Concert is to present competent youth performances of quality to the Divide community. All eligible students, whether their music instruction has been with a professional teacher or not, are encouraged to apply.

- Participants must be available both on April 25, 2025 4 pm to attend the rehearsal and on April 27, 2025 at 2:30 in preparation for the 3:00 pm concert. The location for both is the Georgetown IOOF Hall.
- Students must reside/have resided on the Divide OR attend/have attended school on the Divide. There's an upper age limit of 22. Students of music teachers on the Divide may apply. Special guest performers may be approved by the MOTD Young Musicians Concert Committee (YMCC).
- A USB flash drive video of your best audition performance(s) and a paper application
 must be received by March 29, 2025*. Also include the name of your accompanist or
 group members if applicable. Group members from more than one family must submit
 their own applications.
- Categories of performance include instrumental, voice, and ensembles (groups).
- Judging the videos will be done by Music On The Divide Board Members and qualified individuals chosen by YMCC.
- Memorization is not mandatory, though encouraged. The decision of the judges is final.

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS: Teachers and parents: please review these as you prepare your student for the audition.

- **Selection:** Choose a composition that is of "concert quality." You may perform more than one composition, but the length of selection(s) should be between 2 and 4 minutes. The YMCC reserves the right to ask students to limit the selection(s) if too many students exceed the time limit or if such is needed to limit the concert's length. Additionally, the YMCC reserves the right to make appropriate decisions if duplicate songs are submitted or unanticipated situations arise.
- **Répertoire:** Quality arrangements, original compositions and different styles of music are acceptable.
- **Preparation:** Careful and thoughtful preparation should go into the learning of the selection(s) with proper rhythm and expression stressed.

- Appearance and dress: Clothing should be dressy for the concert.
- **Stage Presence:** Students should feel comfortable on the stage. There will be a rehearsal for the concert the Friday prior to the concert to provide practice.
- Amplification: Music On The Divide will provide amplifiers and microphones as needed.
- Grand piano: On stage for young musicians' or accompanists' use

Questions? Please text or call Deb Kaplan 530-334-8117

*Return Application and USB so they are RECEIVED by March 29 (by mail or to the library)

1) Mail to:

MOTD ATTN: Deb Kaplan

PO Box 1055

Georgetown, CA 95634

OR

2) Hand-deliver to a librarian at the Georgetown Library, 6680 Orleans St. Note that the library closes at 3 pm on Saturday, March 29th.

Parents will be notified by phone or text by April 5 of the judges' decision regarding their child's participation in the 2025 Young Musician Concert.

Library Hours:

Monday CLOSED

Tuesday 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Wednesday 12:00 PM- 7:00 PM

Thursday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Sunday CLOSED